

House Study Bill 119 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON COWNIE)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to voter registration.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 48A.9, subsection 1, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. Registration closes at ~~five~~ 5:00 p.m. eleven days
4 before each election except ~~primary and the general elections~~
5 election. For ~~primary and the general elections~~ election,
6 registration closes at ~~five~~ 5:00 p.m. ten days before the
7 election. An eligible elector may register during the time
8 registration is closed in the elector's precinct but the
9 registration shall not become effective until registration
10 opens again in the elector's precinct, except as otherwise
11 provided in section 48A.7A.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill relates to voter registration.

14 The bill provides that voter registration for primary
15 elections shall close at 5:00 p.m. 11 days before the primary.
16 Current law provides that voter registration for both general
17 and primary elections close 10 days before the primary. Voter
18 registration for the general election will remain unchanged by
19 the bill.